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Nathu Ram S/o Sh. Mahavir Sihag, Village – Taja Patti, Tehsil – Abohar – 152122, Distt. - Fazilka(Punjab)

....Appellant

i) Public Information Officer,
 O/o The District Education Officer(Sec.),
 Fazilka (Punjab)

- ii) Public Information Officer,
 O/o The Head Mistress,
 Govt. Middle School,
 Village Taja Patti,
 Tehsil Abohar,
 Distt. Fazilka (Punjab)
- iii) Public Information Officer,
 O/o The Block Primary Education Officer,
 Abohar 02,
 Distt. Fazilka (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority, O/o The District Education Officer(Sec.), Fazilka (Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 4260 of 2021

V/s

Present: Sh. Nathu Ram, the appellant in person.

- i) Sh. Rajeev Kumar, Accountant O/o B. P. E. O., Abohar 02;
- ii) Sh. Mehar Chand Mehta, Hindi Master(Incharge) of Govt. Middle School, Village Taja Patti, on behalf of the respondent And None appeared from office of District Education Officer(Sec.),, Fazilka.

ORDER

Heard through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

The RTI request is dated 29.06.2021. First appeal is dated 02.08.2021. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 20.09.2021.

On the last date of hearing, held on 31.01.2022;

- i) Sh. Mehar Chand, Headmaster of Govt. Middle School, Taja Patti, stated that the available information at point no. 03 and 04 of the RTI request information of 280 pages was supplied to the appellant vide letter no. 69 dated 11.11.2021 and information at point no. 01 and 02 relates with office of District Education Officer(Sec.), Fazilka and a reply in an affidavit was sent to the Commission.
- ii) Another opportunity was given to the respondent-PIO concerned to send a reply, in an affidavit, to the queries raised at point no. 01 and 02 of the RTI request to the appellant with a copy to the Commission.
- iii) As the information at point no. 01 and 02 relates with office of District Education Officer(Sec.), Fazilka, moreover, the RTI request was sent that office to supply the certified copies of the remaining information at point no. 01 and 02 of the RTI request, to the appellant with a copy to the Commission.

The appellant, Sh. Nathu Ram, who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that incomplete information has been given to him by the respondent PIO.

Sh. Rajeev Kumar, Accountant office of Block Primary Education Officer, Abohar – 02, appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing.

Sh. Mehar Chand Mehta, Hindi Master(Incharge) of Govt. Middle School, Village – Taja Patti, who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, states that Sh. Mehar Chand, Headmaster of Govt. Middle School, Taja Patti, who appeared in today's hearing, states that the information at point no. 03 and 04 of the RTI request information of 280 pages has already been supplied to the appellant vide letter no. 69 dated 11.11.2021.

Neither the respondent PIO of office of District Education Officer(Sec.), Fazilka. nor any of his representative is present in today's hearing. He has also not sent any intimation regarding his non-availability. Moreover, the remaining information has not been supplied by the respondent PIO to the information seeker even after the directions were given by the Commission vide orders dated 31.01.2022. The Commission took a serious view of this casual approach of the respondent PIO.

In view of the above, a show cause notice under Section 20 (1) of the RTI Act is issued to Public Information Officer concerned of office of District Education Officer(Sec.), Fazilka as to why penalty be not imposed upon him for willful delay/denial in supplying the information to the RTI applicant and why the compensation be not awarded to the information-seeker under the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

He may note that in case he does not file his submission and does not avail himself of the opportunity of personal hearing on the next date fixed through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings', it will be presumed that he has nothing to say and the Commission shall proceed to take further proceedings against him ex-parte. A copy of this order be sent to him through registered post.

Last opportunity is given to the respondent PIO concerned to supply the certified copies of the remaining information at point no. 01 and 02 of the RTI request to the appellant through registered post with a copy to the Commission.

An opportunity is also given to the appellant to confirm whether he has received the information or not.

The Public Information Officer office of Govt. Middle School, Village – Taja Patti exempted from personal appearance in further hearings of this case and a copy of this order be sent to him for intimation

The case is <u>adjourned to 24th August, 2022 (Wednesday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.</u>

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R. P. Singh

Through Sh. Gurmel Singh Nahar, Advocate, 4th Floor, Near Public Lift, Court Complex, Ludhiana (Punjab)

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer, O/o The Executive Engineer, Punjab Water Supply And Sanitation Division – 02, Ludhiana (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority, O/o The Executive Engineer, Punjab Water Supply And Sanitation Division – 02, Ludhiana (Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 3610 of 2021

Present: Sh. R. P. Singh, the appellant in person.

Sh. Sunil Kumar, Senior Assistant, on behalf of the respondent.

<u>ORDER</u>

Heard through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

The RTI request is dated 22.05.2021. First appeal is dated 25.06.2021. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 11.08.2021.

On the last date of hearing, held on 31.01.2022;

- i) Sh. Ajit Singh, S. D. O., Ludhiana II, stated that the requisite information was sent to the appellant on 29.01.2022.
- ii) As the information was sent by the respondent PIO to the appellant on 29.01.2022 and probably the same was to be received by the appellant.
- iii) An opportunity was given to the appellant to confirm whether he received the information to point out deficiencies, if any, in the information supplied to him, in writing, to the respondent PIO well in time so that the same could be removed by the respondent concerned.

Sh. Sunil Kumar, Senior Assistant, who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, states that the requisite information has already been sent to the appellant.

The appellant, Sh. R. P. Singh, who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that incomplete information has been given to him by the respondent PIO and through a letter dated 08.02.2022, he has pointed out deficiencies to the respondent and sent the same to the Commission, which has been received in the Commission vide Diary No. 2842 dated 11.02.2022. It is taken on record.

Nevertheless, both the parties i. e. the appellant and the respondent PIO are directed to remain present with the relevant official record during the proceedings of the instant appeal-case on the next date of hearing fixed before the bench of the undersigned in the office of State Information Commission, Punjab so that facts of this case could be cleared or the case would be decided on merits.

The case is <u>adjourned to 10th August, 2022 (Wednesday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing in Court Room office of State Information Commission, Punjab, Red Cross Building, Madhya Marg, Sector 16, Chandigarh.</u>

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Munish Kumar

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Dhanaula, Distt. - Barnala (Punjab)

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer, O/o The Tehsildar, Dhanaula, Distt. - Barnala (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority, O/o The Sub Divisional Magistrate, Barnala (Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 3636 of 2021

Present: Sh. Munish Kumar, the appellant in person.

None on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

Date :9th May, 2022

Heard through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'. The RTI request is dated 05.04.2021. First appeal is dated 17.05.2021. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 12.08.2021.

On the last date of hearing, held on 31.01.2022;

- i) Neither the appellant nor the respondent PIO or any of his representative was present.
- ii) As through the RTI request, the appellant demanded the documents, on the bases of which registries of properties were transferred in Sub Tehsil Dhanaula for the period from 01.03.2020 to the date of filing of RTI request i. e. 05.04.2021, last opportunity was given to the appellant to specify the required information (regarding property owned by him) to the respondent so that the same could be provide by the respondent

Sh. Munish Kumar, appeared in person in today's hearing.

On an earlier date of hearing, held on 16.11.2021, Sh. Ashu Joshi, Naib Tehsidar, intimated that the required information sought by the appellant is not specific, moreover, 'personal' in nature.

When asked, whether he (appellant) specified the required information (regarding property owned by him) to the respondent as directed vide orders dated 31.01.2022, he could not come with satisfactory answer.

Nevertheless, both the parties i. e. the appellant and the respondent PIO are directed to remain present with the relevant official record during the proceedings of the instant appeal-case on the next date of hearing fixed before the bench of the undersigned in the office of State Information Commission, Punjab so that facts of this case could be cleared or the case would be decided on merits.

The case is adjourned to 10th August, 2022 (Wednesday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing in Court Room office of State Information Commission, Punjab, Red Cross Building, Madhya Marg, Sector 16, Chandigarh.

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....Appellant

V/s

- i) Public Information Officer,
 O/o The Principal Secretary to Government of Punjab,
 Deptt. of Local Government,
 Municipal Bhawan, Sector 35 A,
 Plot No. 03, Chandigarh
- ii) The Assistant Town Planner-cum-PIO O/o The Commissioner,
 Municipal Corporation,
 Zone-C, Ludhiana (Punjab)
- iii) The Assistant Town Planner-cum-PIO O/o The Commissioner,
 Municipal Corporation,
 Zone-D, Ludhiana (Punjab)
- iv) The Executive Engineer-cum-PIO
 O/o The Commissioner,
 Municipal Corporation,
 O & M Cell, Ludhiana (Punjab)
- v) The Executive Engineer -cum-PIO O/o The Commissioner,
 Municipal Corporation,
 Light Branch, Ludhiana (Punjab)
- vi) The Executive Engineer
 O/o The Commissioner,
 Municipal Corporation,
 (B & R), Ludhiana (Punjab)
- vii) The Executive Engineer
 O/o The Commissioner,
 Municipal Corporation,
 Zone-A (B & R), Ludhiana (Punjab)
- viii) The Executive Engineer
 O/o The Commissioner,
 Municipal Corporation,
 Zone-C (B & R), Ludhiana (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority, O/o The Principal Secretary to Government of Punjab, Deptt. of Local Government, Municipal Bhawan, Sector 35 - A, Plot No. 03, Chandigarh

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 2067 of 2021

Present: Sh. Gurmej Lal on behalf of the appellant.

- i) Sh. Rajeev Kumar, Building Inspector(Town Planning Wing) of Local Government, Punjab, Chandigarh;
- ii) Ms. Kashish Garg, Building Inspector-cum-APIO O/o Municipal Corporation(Zone C), Ludhiana;
- iii) Sh. Vikas, Junior Engineer, Lights Branch (B & R), for the respondent.

ORDER

Heard through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

The RTI request is dated 05.02.2021. First appeal is dated 06.03.2021. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 28.04.2021.

On the last date of hearing, held on 31.01.2022;

- Sh. Gurmej Lal ()representative of the appellant stated that he demanded copy of compliant alongwith Diary Number, which has not been given to him by the respondent PIO.
- ii) A copy of the order was sent to the Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana to ensure presence of concerned PIO/PIOs office of i) Assistant Town Planner, Zone-C of Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana; ii) Assistant Town Planner, Zone-D of Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana; (iii) PIO-cum-Executive Engineer(Lights); iv) PIO-cum-Executive Engineer, Zone-A (B & R) or their representatives on the date fixed to clear the facts of this case.

Sh. Rajeev Kumar, Building Inspector(Town Planning Wing) of Local Government, Punjab, Chandigarh; ii) Ms. Kashish Garg, Building Inspector-cum-APIO O/o Municipal Corporation (Zone – C), Ludhiana; and iii) Sh. Vikas, Junior Engineer, Lights Branch (B & R), appeared in today's hearing.

After examining the documents placed in the case-file, it is found that the respondent PIOs office of Assistant Town Planner, Zone-C of Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana through a reply vide letter no. 645 dated 24.05.2021 and again 807 dated 12.08.2021; Assistant Town Planner, Zone-D of Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana vide letter no. 288 dated 12.11.2021; PIO-cum-Executive Engineer(Lights) vide letter no. 398 dated 27.10.2021 and PIO-cum-Executive Engineer, (B & R) vide letter no. 500 dated 09.11.2021 and again vide letter no. 807 dated 12.08.2021; PIO-cum-Executive Engineer, Zone-A (B & R) vide letter no. 158 dated 11.11.2021 had intimated the Commission that replies (whichever query/queries relates to their office) were sent to the appellant time and again. All the above-mentioned replies are placed in the case file.

The appellant, Sh. Amarjit Singh Dhamotia, who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that incomplete information has been given to him till date.

Heard the parties and conclude that pending information, if any(as per version of appellant), is to be supplied by Lights Branch and B & R Branch.

Hence, the appellant is advised to visit the concerned Branch (Lights Branch and B & R Branch) office of Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana to inspect the relevant official record on 18.05.2022 at 02:00 P. M. to identify the remaining information.

The respondent PIO concerned office of Municipal Corporation Ludhiana (Lights Branch and B & R Branch), is directed to facilitate the appellant to inspect the relevant official record during his visit to the office so that information could be identified by him. He is also directed to supply the required information to the appellant (which would be identified by him after inspection) with a copy to the Commission.

An opportunity is also given to the appellant to confirm whether he received the information, which would be supplied to him by the respondent PIO after inspection, or not.

The date and time of visit of the appellant and inspection of the relevant official record in the office of the respondent has been announced to the parties during the proceedings of the instant appeal-case.

An opportunity is given to the respondent PIO concerned office of Municipal Corporation Ludhiana (Lights Branch and B & R Branch), to bring a copy of the information (which was/would already supplied to the appellant) with the relevant official record in the office of State Information Commission, Punjab before the bench of the undersigned on the next date of hearing fixed so that facts of this case could be cleared.

The appellant is also directed to remain present during the proceedings of the instant appeal-case on the next date of hearing fixed or the case would be decided on merits.

A copy of this order also be sent to the Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana for intimation through registered post.

The case is <u>adjourned to 10th August, 2022 (Wednesday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing in Court Room office of State Information Commission, Punjab, Red Cross Building, Madhya Marg, Sector 16, Chandigarh.</u>

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Date :9th May, 2022

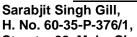
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....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer, O/o The Principal Secretary to Government of Punjab, Deptt. of Local Government, Municipal Bhawan, Sector 35 - A, Plot No. 03, Chandigarh

First Appellate Authority, O/o The Principal Secretary to Government of Punjab, Deptt. of Local Government, Municipal Bhawan, Sector 35 - A, Plot No. 03, Chandigarh

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 2068 of 2021

Present: Sh. Gurmej Lal on behalf of the appellant.

None on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

Date :9th May, 2022

Heard through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

The RTI request is dated 05.02.2021. First appeal is dated 06.03.2021. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 28.04.2021.

On the last date of hearing, held on 31.01.2022;

i) An opportunity was given to the appellant to visit the office of the respondent PIO to inspect the relevant official record on 03.02.2022 at 11:00 A. M..

ii) The respondent PIO concerned was directed to facilitate the appellant to inspect the relevant official record during his visit to the office and supply the required information to the appellant with a copy to the Commission.

iii) An opportunity was given to the appellant to confirm whether he received the information and also to point out deficiencies, if any, in the information supplied to him, in writing, to the respondent PIO well in time so that the same could be removed by the respondent concerned.

After examining the documents placed on record, it is found that the respondent PIO through a reply vide letter no. 213 dated 31.01.2022 signed by PIO-cum-Superintendent, LG-1 Branch, which has been received in the Commission vide Diary No. 3906 dated 24.02.2022, has intimated the Commission that a reply has already been given to the appellant intimating him that the compliant, regarding which information is demanded, has not been received in the office. It, is taken on record.

Sh. Gurmej Lal, who appeared on behalf of the appellant, Sh. Sarabjit Singh Gill, in today's hearing, could not make himself audible to intimate the status of the instant appeal-case during the proceedings of the case.

Last opportunity is given to both the parties to represent this case in person or through their representative on the next date fixed through facility of Software/application 'CISCO' Webex Meetings' or the case would be decided on merits.

The case is <u>adjourned to 24th August, 2022 (Wednesday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.</u>

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....Appellant

V/s

- i) Public Information Officer,
 O/o The Principal Secretary
 to Government of Punjab,
 Deptt. of Local Government,
 Municipal Bhawan, Sector 35 A,
 Plot No. 03, Chandigarh
- ii) Public Information Officer,
 O/o The Commissioner,
 Municipal Corporation,
 Ludhiana (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority, O/o The Principal Secretary to Government of Punjab, Deptt. of Local Government, Municipal Bhawan, Sector 35 - A, Plot No. 03, Chandigarh

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 2140 of 2021

Present: Sh. Amarjit Singh Dhamotia, the appellant in person.

- i) Sh. Rajeev Kumar, Building Inspector(Town Planning Wing);
- ii) Sh. Navneet Singh, Building Inspector(Technical), Zone-B of Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana, on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

Heard through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

The RTI request is dated 01.02.2021. First appeal is dated 02.03.2021. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 04.05.2021.

On the last date of hearing, held on 31.01.2022;

- The appellant stated that incomplete information was given to him by the respondent.
- ii) The appellant was advised to visit the office of the respondent PIO to inspect the relevant official record on 11.02.2022 at 12:00 noon to identify the information.
- iii) The respondent PIO concerned was directed to facilitate the appellant to inspect the relevant official record during his visit to the office and supply the required information to the appellant (which would be identified by him after inspection) with a copy to the Commission.
- iv) An opportunity is also given to the appellant to confirm whether he has received the information, which would be supplied to him by the respondent PIO after inspection, or not.

The appellant, Sh. Amarjit Singh Dhamotia, who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that he visited the office of the respondent PIO to inspect the relevant official record and identified the information but no information has been given to him till date.

Sh. Rajeev Kumar, Building Inspector(Town Planning Wing) of Local Government, Punjab, Chandigarh, who appeared in today's hearing, states that the information at point no. 01 has already been given to the appellant and the information at point no. 02 and 03 demanded by the appellant relates with office of Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana and RTI request of the appellant has been transferred vide letter no. 1119 dated 23.03.2021 to Public Information Officer office of Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana under Section 6 (3) of the RTI Act and a reply has also been sent to the Commission vide letter no. 661 dated 25.03.2022. It, alongwith annexure, is taken on record.

Sh. Navneet Singh, Building Inspector(Technical), Zone-B office of Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana, who appeared in today's hearing, states that the requisite information has already been given to the appellant vide letter no. 1358 dated 28.10.2021 through registered post and a reply vide letter no. 1376 dated 16.11.2021 has also been sent to the Commission which has been received in the Commission vide Diary No. 26468 dated 25.11.2021. It, alongwith annexure with a copy of postal-receipt, is taken on record.

Nevertheless, an opportunity is given to the respondent PIO concerned to bring a copy of the information (which was already supplied to the appellant) with the relevant official record in the office of State Information Commission, Punjab before the bench of the undersigned on the next date of hearing fixed so that facts of this case could be cleared.

The appellant is also directed to remain present during the proceedings of the instant appeal-case on the next date of hearing fixed or the case would be decided on merits.

The case is <u>adjourned to 10th August, 2022 (Wednesday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing in Court Room office of State Information Commission, Punjab, Red Cross Building, Madhya Marg, Sector 16, Chandigarh.</u>

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Kuldip Kumar Kaura (Retd. Lecturer),

H. No. 5-C, Phase – 1, Urban Estate, Focal Point, Ludhiana – 141010(Punjab)



...Appellant

Public Information Officer, O/o The Commissioner(Zonal), Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority, O/o The Commissioner(Zonal), Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana (Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 234 of 2020

V/s

Present: None on behalf of the appellant.

None on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

Heard through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'. The RTI request is dated 12.06.2020. First appeal is dated 21.07.2020. Second

appeal has been received in the Commission on 31.08.2020.

On the last date of hearing, held on 31.01.2022;

- i) The appellant stated that no information at point no. 06 was given to him by the respondent PIO.
- ii) Last opportunity was given to the respondent PIO concerned to supply the certified copies of the remaining information at point no. 06 of the RTI request to the appellant with a copy to the Commission.
- iii) An opportunity was given to the appellant to confirm whether he received the information or not.

Neither the appellant, Sh. Kuldip Kumar Kaura nor the respondent is present in today's hearing.

After examining the case-file, it is found that no reply has been received in the Commission from both the parties (i. e. the appellant and the respondent), intimating whether information supplied or whether the appellant received the information or not.

Last opportunity is given to both the parties to represent this case in person or through their representative on the next date fixed through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings' or the case would be decided on merits.

The case is <u>adjourned to 24th August, 2022 (Wednesday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing</u> through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

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Amloh Road, Khanna (Punjab)

....Appellant

Public Information Officer, O/o The Divisional Forest officer, Ludhiana(Punjab)

First Appellate Authority, O/o The Conservator of Forests, Punjab, South Circle, Opp. Central Jail, Patiala (Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 2373 of 2020

Present: Sh. Raj Kumar, the appellant in person.

Sh. Sukhpal Singh, Forest Range Officer, Samrala, on behalf of the respondent.

V/s

ORDER

Heard through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.
The RTI request is dated 12.06.2020. First appeal is dated 21.07.2020. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 31.08.2020.

On the last date of hearing, held on 02.02.2022;

- i) The appellant could not make himself audible to intimate the status of the instant appeal-case during the proceedings of the case.
- ii) Sh. Sukhpal Singh, Forest Range Officer, Samrala, stated that the required information is ready to be supplied to the appellant.
- iii) The respondent PIO concerned was directed to send the certified copies of the required information to the appellant at his residential address through registered post with a copy to the Commission.
- iv) An opportunity was given to the appellant to confirm whether he received the information and also advised to point out deficiencies, if any, in the information supplied to him, in writing, to the respondent PIO so that the same could be removed by the respondent concerned.

Sh. Sukhpal Singh, Forest Range Officer, Samrala, who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, states that the requisite information has already been upplied to the appellant through registered post on 11.02.2022 and a copy of the postal receipt has been sent to the Commission vide letter no. 394 dated 12.02.2022, which has been received in the Commission through an e-mail. It, alongwith a copy of postal receipt, is taken on record.

The appellant, Sh. Raj Kumar, who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that incomplete information has been given to him by the respondent PIO and through a letter dated 14.02.2022, he has pointed out deficiencies to the respondent with a copy to the Commission, which has been received in the Commission vide Diary No. 3225 dated 15.02.2022. It is taken on record.

Nevertheless, the appellant is advised to visit the office of the respondent PIO to inspect the relevant official record on 19.05.2022 at 12:00 noon to identify the information.

The respondent PIO concerned is directed to facilitate the appellant to inspect the relevant official record during his visit to the office on 19.05.2022 so and supply the required information to the appellant (which would be identified by him after inspection) with a copy to the Commission.

An opportunity is also given to the appellant to confirm whether he has received the information, which would be supplied to him by the respondent PIO after inspection, or not.

The date and time of visit of the appellant and inspection of the relevant official record in the office of the respondent has been announced to the parties during the proceedings of the instant appeal-case.

The case is <u>adjourned to 24th August, 2022 (Wednesday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.</u>

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Mohali (Punjab)



....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer, O/o The Assistant Labour Commissioner, District Administrative Complex O/o Deputy Commissioner, Sector 76, 4th Floor, Room No. 507, S.A.S. Nagar (Mohali) (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority, O/o The Labour Commissioner, Phase – 10, S.A.S. Nagar (Mohali) (Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 2253 of 2020

Present: Sh. Sahbaj Khan, the appellant in person.

None on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

Heard through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

The RTI request is dated 23.05.2020. First appeal is dated 22.06.2020. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 21.08.2020.

On the last date of hearing, held on 02.02.2022;

- Sh. Chanchaldeep, Labour Enforcement Officer office of Assistant Labour Commissioner, stated that a proper reply was given to the appellant.
- ii) The appellant stated that no reply was received by him from the respondent PIO.
- iii) The respondent PIO concerned was directed to send the above-said reply again to the appellant at his residential address through registered post with a copy to the Commission.
- iv) An opportunity was given to the appellant to confirm whether he received the reply.

The appellant, Sh. Sahbaj Khan could not make himself audible to intimate the status of the instant appeal-case during the proceedings of the case.

After examining the documents placed on record, it is found that the respondent PIO through a reply vide letter no. 495 dated 23.01.2022 signed by APIO-cum- Labour Enforcement Officer(Grade-I), S. A. S. Nagar, which has been received in the Commission vide Diary No. 2241 dated 03.02.2022, has intimated the Commission that a proper reply has again been given to the appellant vide letter no. 496 dated 23.01.2022. It is taken on record.

Last opportunity is given to the appellant to point out deficiencies, if any, in writing, to the respondent PIO well in time so that the same could be removed by the respondent concerned or the case would decided on merits.

Another opportunity is also given to both the parties to represent this case in person or through their representative on the next date fixed through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'

The case is <u>adjourned to 24th August, 2022 (Wednesday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.</u>

Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

(Sanjiv Garg)
Date :9th May, 2022
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Mohit Guru S/o Sh. Dilip Kumar,

H. No. B-2 698/6-E,

Chhawni Mohalla, Ludhiana (Punjab)

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....Appellant

Public Information Officer, O/o The Director, Deptt. of Local Government, Punjab, Municipal Bhawan, Sector 35 - A, Plot No. 03, Chandigarh

First Appellate Authority, O/o The Director, Deptt. of Local Government, Punjab, Municipal Bhawan, Sector 35 - A, Plot No. 03, Chandigarh

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 3574 of 2021

V/s

Present: None on behalf of the appellant.

None on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

Heard through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

The RTI request is dated 23.04.2021. First appeal is dated 04.06.2021. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 06.08.2021.

On the last date of hearing, held on 02.02.2022;

- i) An opportunity was given to the appellant to visit the office of the respondent PIO to inspect the relevant official record on 24.03.2022 at 11:00 A. M. to identify the information.
- ii) The respondent PIO concerned was directed to facilitate the appellant to inspect the relevant official record during his visit to the office and to supply the identified information to the appellant with a copy to the Commission.
- iii) An opportunity was given to the appellant to confirm whether he received the information and also to point out deficiencies, if any, in the information supplied to him, in writing, to the respondent PIO well in time so that the same could be removed by the respondent concerned.

Neither the appellant, Sh. Mohit Guru nor the respondent is present in today's hearing.

After examining the case-file, it is found that no reply has been received in the Commission from both the parties (i. e. the appellant and the respondent), intimating whether inspection of the relevant official record has been done or whether the appellant received the information or not.

Last opportunity is given to both the parties to represent this case in person or through their representative on the next date fixed through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings' or the case would be decided on merits.

The case is <u>adjourned to 24th August, 2022 (Wednesday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.</u>

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Dhakoli, Zirakpur, Tehsil- Derabassi,

Distt. - S. A. S. Nagar (Punjab)



....Appellant

Public Information Officer, O/o The Executive Officer, Nagar Council, Zirakpur (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority, O/o The Executive Officer, Nagar Council, Zirakpur (Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 1209 of 2021

V/s

Present: Sh. Arvinder Pal Singh, the appellant in person.

Sh. Gulshan Mehta, Advocate, on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

Heard through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

On the last date of hearing, held on 09.03.2022,

i) The appellant was advised to visit the office of the respondent PIO on 14.03.2022 to collect the remaining information.

- ii) The respondent PIO concerned was directed to facilitate the appellant during his visit to the office and supply the required information to the appellant.
- iii) An opportunity was given to the appellant to confirm whether he received information.
- iv) Last opportunity was given to the respondent-PIO concerned to comply with orders dated 17.08.2021, through which penalty of Rs. 10,000/- was imposed and the order dated 18.10.2021, through which compensation of 5000/- was awarded to appellant.

Sh. Gulshan Mehta, Advocate, who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, states that the available information has already been supplied to the appellant. He also intimates the Commission that a reply has also been sent to the Commission vide letter no. 84 dated 04.05.2022, which has been received in the Commission vide Diary No. 9439 dated 06.05.2022, intimating that penalty of Rs. 10,000/-, which was imposed orders dated 17.08.2021 has been deposited and challan-receipt dated 29.04.2022 sent to the Commission and further and compensation of Rs. 5000/- was paid to the appellant vide Cheque no. 207723 dated 29.04.2022, which was awarded vide order dated 18.10.2021. It, alongwith copy of challan-receipt and copy of Cheque no. 207723 dated 29.04.2022, is taken on record.

The appellant, Sh. Arvinder Pal Singh, who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that incomplete information has been given to him by the respondent PIO.

Nevertheless, both the parties i. e. the appellant and the respondent PIO are directed to remain present with the relevant official record during the proceedings of the instant appeal-case on the next date of hearing fixed before the bench of the undersigned in the office of State Information Commission, Punjab so that facts of this case could be cleared or the case would be decided on merits.

The case is <u>adjourned to 10th August, 2022 (Wednesday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing in Court Room office of State Information Commission, Punjab, Red Cross Building, Madhya Marg, Sector 16, Chandigarh.</u>

Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Date :9th May, 2022 State Information Commissioner Punjab